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Estill Court Directory.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Judge - D. B. Redwine
Com'w'lth's Att'y A. H. Howard
Clerk - James A. Wallace
Deputy Clerk Vernon L. Vaughn
Commissioner - John D. Winn

Circuit Court is held on the fourth Monday in March, June and November.

COUNTY COURT.

Judge - W. H. Lilly
Clerk - Vernon L. Vaughn
County Attorney - L. A. West
Deputy Clerk James A. Wallace
Sheriff - James F. West
Jailer - J. H. Powell
Coroner - A. Underwood
Superint'd't of schools C. Marum

County court is held on the third Monday of each month.

Quarterly terms of the county court are held the second Mondays in February, May, August and November.

County court of claims meet in April and October.

LOCAL MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Justice - David N. Witt.
Constable - J. J. McIntosh.
Court is held on the 16th of March, June, September and December.

Church Directory.

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In Iowa a woman sues for a divorce on the grounds that she married the wrong man. If all women should do this, there would be precious few permanent couples in this country.

Every square mile of sea contains 120,000,000 fish of various kinds.

The Iowa has been declared to be the finest fighting ship in the world.

The search for gold in the Klondike will soon give way to the search for food.

George Glenn, a negro, was arrested in Missouri for a murder committed at Little Rock ten years ago.

Two Georgia murderers have been sentenced to swing by the neck till death, Dec. 17th, for their crime.

R. G. Williams, aged 27, County Judge elect of Rockcastle, is said to be the youngest Judge in the State.

Circuit Court Judges in Indiana have decided that divorce decrees shall not be valid till the court costs have been paid.

Cincinnati Republican fusionists have decided to vote for Mark Hanna. This gives Mark a majority over all competitors.

A quarantine of three months has been established in Montana against sheep of other States on account of an outbreak of scab.

The people of Oklahoma will petition Congress for admission into the Union as a State. The population is 300,000; the wealth \$30,000,000.

Colorado expects to receive not less than \$6,000,000 from the State's big fruit crop this year, the greatest which the Centennial State has ever known.

Prof. Wallace, of Rankin county, Mississippi, got married. His friends concluded to serenade him. He thought they were bent on mischief, fired a pistol, shot a man, and now he is a fugitive from justice.

Many people believe that all sort of ill luck will follow them if they by chance happen to break a looking glass. These superstitious folk may, perhaps, be glad to hear that unbreakable mirrors are now being made by putting a coat of quicksilver at the back of a very thin sheet of celluloid.

The Louisville Commercial and SPOUTSPRING TIMES both one year 75 cents.

Up in Pennsylvania the other day a football roter yelled himself to death.

A dog that has eaten up a farm and a set of buildings has been found, says an exchange. The dog killed a neighbor's sheep. The neighbors offered to call it square if the dog was killed. The dog's master refused to do this, and a law suit came next. To pay cost and damages assessed by the county, the owner of the dog had to mortgage his farm for \$2,500. The mortgage had a bigger appetite than the dog and soon his farm was gone and the owner had to move away. The dog is now dead.

Hades ought to have a hotter place for the thief, who takes a paper for a year or two and when asked to pay for it, tries to lie out of it by saying he never subscribed, and there ought to be a special asylum for the fool editor who sends papers that way. The one is a thief pure and simple, the other worse than Sut Lovingoods natural born darn fool.—Stanford Journal.

One of Corbin's prettiest girls went into one of our drug stores the other day and asked the very polite clerk how to take a dose of castor oil so as not to taste it. The v. p. c. asked her if she would have a glass of soda water, and she said she would, with thanks. After she drank it she was asked if she had tasted castor oil. "Why no," said she "did you put a dose in the soda water?" "Yes," said Jimmy. The pretty girl then blushed and only tarried long enough to say, "I didn't want the oil myself, I wanted it for mother."—Corbin News.

Aunt Polly Allen, of Pilot View, is one of the most remarkable women in the country, says the Winchester Democrat. She is in her 85 year, has cut her third set of teeth, has been blind for 10 years. Her mind and memory seem to be as good as they were 50 years ago. She is a wonderfully well preserved old woman, has been a consistent member of the Old Baptist church for about 60 years. She hears well and converses intelligently and peacefully and is patiently awaiting the sunset of a useful and well spent life. And as the shadows form longer her hopes of a glorious immortality grow brighter. What a happy rounding up of a well spent life!

The capital value of the power developed by the Niagara Falls is equal to \$1,000,000, and a large part of this perpetual capital is being made available by electric power.

Says the Sandy Herald: Wanted—A wife who'll help us set type, run the press, cuss delinquent subscribers and mend our last year's trousers. We're in earnest about wanting such a better nine-tenths.

The heirs of Philip Veach, of Grant county, have brought suit against a turnpike company on a novel basis. Veach was found dead near the road after a storm, with his wagon overturned upon him. The claim is made that the pike is not the width required by law, and this caused Veach's wagon to overturn upon him in the darkness.

Simple Cure for Neuralgia.

George Rice, of this place, says that tea, made of the inner bark of the sugar tree—acer saccharinum—will cure the worst case of neuralgia. It should be drunk warm and as often as the pain appears. Being a very palatable drink and an easy one to make in this country where the sugar maple abounds, our readers should try it.—Hazel Green Herald.

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SPOUTSPRING, KY.
SATURDAY, DEC. 18, 1897.

LOCAL BREVITES.

Christmas day next Saturday.

County court day at Irvine next Monday.

Job Printing neatly executed at this office on short notice.

J. Harland Dawson visited his parents at Indian Fields Sunday.

Joseph Spry was in Clark county on business several days last week.

That Christmas is coming is plain to be seen: the children are all smiles.

Miss Lillie J. Kindred has been appointed postmistress at Locust Branch, this county.

The Spoutspring Times is the only paper published in Estill county. Only 50 cts a year.

Let the people of this place get together and work the road from here to Lilly's Ferry.

Rev. B. S. Burgher and wife visited their daughter, Mrs. W. R. Cassidy, at Clay City, Sunday.

Fielden Berryman and two daughters, of Bloomingdale, visited relatives near here this week.

Ye editor and wife visited the pleasant and hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hefflin, near town, Sunday.

Probably no one enjoys Christmas any better than Asa Barnett, he is now preparing for his annual enjoyment. Asa is a great lady's man, you know.

With but little cost and labor on the part of our citizens, we could soon have excellent macadamized streets, which would add greatly to the convenience.

The mud is coming and this village is badly in need of sidewalks. With little work and cost our pretty little city could be well supplied with excellent sidewalks.

J. E. Burgher, Jr., of the Spoutspring Times, was here yesterday. He has again assumed charge of that excellent paper and will make it better than ever.—Winchester Democrat.

Game in abundance will be killed during the Christmas holidays.

Dr. A. T. Neal, of Log Lick, was observed on the street Wednesday.

There will be no preaching at the Methodist church Sunday, it being so the pastor can not attend.

A year's subscription to the Times would make an excellent Christmas gift to friends and relatives at a distance.

Mitchell Newkirk, of Stanton, has moved to this neighborhood. He came in Tuesday and subscribed for the Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Langworthy, of Maraba, Menifee county, are visiting the family of Mrs. Martha Snowden, near town.

Vernon L. Vaughn and H. W. Shepherd, of Irvine, were pleasant callers at this office Tuesday. They were en route to Clay City to attend the Hall-Shimfessel wedding.

Mike King's residence on Dry Ridge burned Sunday morning with its entire contents, save one bed and two trunks. Jeff Morgerson happened to be passing the road and saw the fire in time to save what was saved.

A new school house is very badly needed at this place, and we hope the good people will not allow the present building to be used another year for a place to send their children to school. A school house should be as good a building as the best residence in the village.

Parthena Hodge, of Clay City, fell from her horse Tuesday and severely injured herself while going from Mrs. Martha Snowden's to Wm. Snowden's, on Hardwick's creek. She was visiting Mrs. Martha Snowden and had started to Wm. Snowden's. Dr. Irvin was summoned and pronounced the lady in quite a critical condition.

W. E. Hefflin, clerk of W. G. Patrick's sale, furnished us the following report:

One sow and six pigs, \$10.70; one eight year-old black mare, blemished, \$6; one yearling colt, \$16; one four-year-old sorrel mare, \$31; two yearling steers, \$39; one yearling Jersey steer, \$10.30; one two-year-old heifer, \$14.25; two two-year-old heifers, \$36.25; one buck wagon and harness, 25.80; one yoke of oxen, \$76; corn brought \$1.50 per bbl. and fodder from 3½ to 5 cents per shock. Household and kitchen furniture, farming implements sold very well considering kind and quality.

Rev. Fred Grider, who pastored the M. E. Church at Kimbrell's Chapel last year, has resigned his charge at Barbourville, reluking his congregation for stinginess.

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Something of a Liar.

There are liars and liars, but editor Tom Morrow, of the Jackson Hustler, is entitled to not only the cake, but the entire bakery with the flavoring thrown in. In his last issue he tells of a Perry county girl, who walked 10 miles up Grapevine Creek in her sleep and awoke to find herself waiting for breakfast at the house of a friend. But this reminds us that we know a girl in this county, who while sleeping the sleep of the innocent, got up out of bed, walked out into the yard, took her seat on a bee hive and when found the next morning, the bees, thirsting for the honey on her sweet lips, were buzzing around her head, like flies around the bung hole of a molasses barrel.—Richmond Register.

Mr. Jas. Hall, of Independence, Mo., and Miss Nettie Shimfessel, of Hardwick's Creek, were married at Clay City, Wednesday, at eight o'clock a. m. The happy couple immediately boarded the train for the groom's home.

Adolph Segal, the wealthy Philadelphia brewer, who recently purchased the Richmond, Nicholasville, Irvine and Beattyville Railroad, will take charge of it on February 1. He will complete the road to Beattyville early in the spring, and may push on the work to the mountains in Southeastern Kentucky.—Richmond Climax.

A hungry newspaper editor wails thus:

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The postoffice at Murray, has been elevated to a presidential standing.

Mr. Mack Kimbrell and Miss Eliza Kennon were married at Clay City Wednesday.

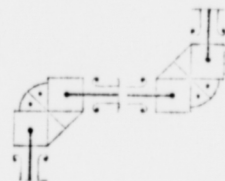
A new postoffice was created at Osborne, Floyd county, and Edward Osborne was appointed postmaster.

A bill for a \$50,000 public building at Hopkinsville, has been favorably reported.

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The man with loose habits is the one that is oftenest tight.

Prosperity has struck the hospitals since the opening of the foot ball season.

Spoutspring had no base ball club this summer and no foot ball team now. Who says the people our little city are not enlightened and humane?

That person who pursues an honest course and has a will to accomplish something, and is willing to work where he can obtain the best results is the one who succeeds.

Judge James H. Hazebigg, of Mt. Sterling, and member of the Court of Appeals of this district, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

The Boston Globe has figured out that "of every fourteen families in the United States, one family is partially or wholly supported by the government. Uncle Sam is a pretty good provider after all."

Lincoln county has to pay \$46,750.00 for turnpikes already made free, and others will cost enough to swell the amount to more than \$60,000. The bonded indebtedness of the county was already \$27,000, making the total amount \$87,000.

One thing we see lately that is not very encouraging, so many of our people are not attending church as they should. We only have preaching on four days in the month that is convenient to attend. Two at the Baptist church, one at the M. E. church S. and one at Kimbrell's chapel, near town. All the pastors are able preachers and we hope in the future to see each house of worship filled on days of meeting.

The expenses of the government have increased many millions since the panic of '93, and the taxpayers who have been forced to economize in every way have also been forced to give a much larger proportion of their hard-earned money to the support of their government, which has been most extravagantly

managed, and the government's deficit is now about one million dollars a week.—Ex.

Miss Margaret Ingels, of Paris, who has been the successful leading lady of "Rooks Players" resigned her position.

CORRESPONDENCE.

IRON MOUND.

Miss Mable Easter's school at Bonny, will close Friday, the 17.

J. S. Thomas is in Clark county gathering corn this week.

J. M. Thomas closed his school at Corinth Friday, 10th. of this month.

Hog killing has been prevalent for the past few days and every body is greasy and happy.

T. C. Tipton, of Millers Creek, will open a general merchandise business at this place, this week.

Married, on Dec. 2, at the residence of the bride's uncle, Jack Stone, Mr. Joseph Patton to Miss Ninnie Stone, Rev. William Rupard officiated. May their path be thickly strewn with flowers through life.

I. M. D.

The Court of Appeals reversed the Woodford Circuit Court, and granted a divorce to Mrs. Davis, wife of Dr. Davis, who killed Munday.

Seven hogs have recently died with cholera on the farm of Russell Mountz, near Clay City.

The reported gold mine on Reelfoot lake, near Hornbeak, Hickman county, supposed to be a hoax, has now the appearance of being a gold find for sure. It tests \$74 to the ton.

The Louisville Dispatch is, without doubt, the best Louisville paper published, and is constantly growing in popularity. Its subscription list should comprise the name of every Democrat in Kentucky.

Jim Perkins, Jr., who eloped with the daughter of Esom Taylor, of Tomkinsville, was met by the father upon his return and was filled with buckshot from a shotgun in the hands of the latter.

Incendiaries are at work in the locality adjacent to Camp-ton. T. K. Tutt's barn, implements and horses were burned, and this is the third or fourth barn destroyed recently.

Five thousand turkeys have been bought in two bluegrass counties for shipment East this week.

Asa Pettitt, of Lexington, will open up a new stock of goods at Clay City in the building recently occupied by Hunter and Kirk.

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During a quarrel in Cumberland county a man named Capp stabbed Joe Boone in the back. The wound is thought to be fatal.

Wm. Drake was killed and Sam Gordon badly injured by the explosion of a boiler at Lexington.

There are 817 patients in the Lexington Lunatic Asylum, 17 of whom are from Clark county.

The coal miners of Spotsville, Ky., are on a strike.

Dr. C. D. Mansfield, third assistant physician at the Lexington asylum, is critically ill at his home at Cat Creek.

Albert Shilling, a well known grocerman of Richmond, took a dose of carbolic acid monday night and died from its effects.

Last week while in Winchester we gave the Democrat, of that city, a call. Mr. Biehn and editor Lyddane showed us through one of the best newspaper and job printing outfits we have seen outside of the cities. The Democrat is one of the best local papers published.

Dillard Snowden has opened up a new stock of general merchandise at Clay City.

Frank Jackson, of College Hill, was in town yesterday.

Another New Store for Irvine.

R. W. Smith, of Irvine, and Am. Durbin, of Why Not, will open a general merchandise store in the C.W.Friend building, in Irvine about January 1. This is two new firms for Irvine to begin operations shortly.

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A farmer went into a store the other day in an adjoining city to sell a load of fine peaches, says an exchange. He was offered 50 cents a bushel. A traveling man who was standing by remarked to the farmer, "If you had those peaches in New York you could get \$1.50 a bushel for them." "Ya-as," answered the farmer "and if I had a pail of water in hand I reckon I could get 10 cents a glass for it too." And the drummer collapsed.

Every turnpike in Fayette county is now free. The roads cost \$152,000.

Buy "Sweep Clean" broom made by Progress Broom Manufacturing Co., Spoutspring, Ky.

Stray Steer Taken up.

A stray steer, 9 years old, is at my place. This steer is red roan in color, with under slope off left ear and bell on. I have had it posted. Owner can have same by proving ownership and paying all charges.

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Jackson will shortly have telephones in operation.

The Corbin Academy was destroyed by fire one night last week.

A new Post office has been established in Harlan county called Avondale.

The L. & N. Railroad will increase the wages of its employees ten per cent. January 1st.

Commissioners of the Lexington asylum ask an appropriation of \$30,000 for improvements.

Diphtheria is still prevailing to an alarming extent in the High Grove section, in Nelson county.

Clark county has purchased all but two of the turnpikes, and they will be freed by next Saturday.

A thief entered a Lexington store in broad daylight, but was frightened away and escaped in the crowd.

The directors of the Black Diamond railway have authorized a survey from Cynthiana to Sharpsburg.

Seven country homes have been destroyed by fire in Letcher county Ky., in the past week. Incendiaries are suspected.

John H. Rose, of Hazel Green, has invented a bolt cutter that will revolutionize the manufacture of those useful articles.

Louis Guenther, an Owensboro boy, was fined \$25 and given thirty days at New Orleans, as a suspicious character on the race track.

In the Glade district, Madison county, local option carried last Saturday by 593 to 40. Berea voted 14 for saloons and 293 against.

Mary West, of Lexington, was held over in \$2,000 bail for killing Will Wilder by shooting him in the neck. Both parties are white.

There are no prisoners in the county jail at Hardinsburg, and hasn't been for some time. This town has few murders and few serious crimes.

Hamburg, a two-year-old horse, was sold in Lexington this week for \$60,000. He was bought six months ago for \$12,000 and has since won over \$40,000.

A thief bored through the wall and into a barrel of whisky at the distillery warehouse Sunday night at Elkin, in Clark county. The barrel was emptied of about twenty-five gallons of whisky.

The Influence of Newspapers.

Jefferson said: "If I had to choose between government without newspapers and newspapers without government, I should choose the latter." That was saying a great deal for newspapers, but any sane person must admit that newspapers have much to do in shaping public sentiment on all important matters. Perhaps we do not fully realize the great aid of the press in religious, political and industrial progress.

Who will claim that the world without newspapers could have attained present conditions? Can we imagine our condition if our almost innumerable publications should be suddenly and forever stopped? Total blindness of a person who had enjoyed perfect sight would fail to correctly picture our condition. Newspapers keep people in touch with each other and with every interest.

Through the press all questions are agitated until the people settle them. As this medium of communication results in moral culture and civilization, Jefferson would have preferred newspapers without government to government without newspapers. But as "every sweet has its bitter" so the press has its influence for evil. It has caused people to believe things which were absurdly false, and by misrepresentations caused nations to engage in bloody wars, and in this country many are being continually deceived, and vote against their own interest. Last year the money power got control of most all the leading newspapers in the United States, and their influence had much to do with defeating free silver at that time. Kentucky is a case to the point. Through the influence of the gold bug Courier Journal and its little "yaller allies" the State had been lead into the Republican camp. But about six months ago the Louisville Dispatch, an ably edited free silver paper, was established at Louisville, and with in this short period had completely demolished the golden calf and its worshippers in Kentucky and at the recent election the State went 17,000 for free silver Democracy.

So we have experienced the influence of newspapers for both good and evil. And as is recorded in holy writ, that "where sin abounded, did grace much more abound." And as the gold standard has through the press abounded, the proper support of the free silver press will cause bimetalism to much more abound.—Ezel Dept. Morgan County Democrat.

A gold ship from Alaska is long overdue at Seattle, and is feared it has gone down in a storm.

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Nicholasville's council will try to get an electric light plant for that city.

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Apples	2
Beef hides	4
Beeswax	18
Corn	40
Eggs	12 1/2
Feathers	30
Ginseng	\$2.00
Spring chickens	6

For the local news read the Spoutspring Times.